

HOUSE No. 2591

By Mr. Eldridge of Acton, petition of James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish a public schools physical education fund from the collection of a one dollar tax imposed on the sale of tickets to professional sports events in the Commonwealth. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS PHYSICAL EDUCATION FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the
3 following section:—

4 Section 7C. A \$1 tax shall be added to each ticket sold by the
5 Boston Bruins, the Boston Celtics, the Boston Red Sox, the New
6 England Patriots and the New England Revolution. The proceeds
7 of this tax shall be for restoring public school physical education
8 programs and activities that have been cancelled due to lack of
9 funds. The department of education shall oversee the implementa-
10 tion and management of this program and funds shall come from
11 those authorized pursuant to section 2PPP of chapter 29.

1 SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as so
2 appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sub-
3 section:—

4 Section 29:2PPP. There shall be established and set up on the
5 books of the commonwealth a separate fund known as the Phys-
6 ical Education Restoration Fund, the funds of which shall be
7 expended for the purpose restoring physical education programs
8 which have been cancelled or reduced in public schools. There
9 shall be credited to the fund all revenues from section 7C of
10 chapter 62 and other financing sources directed to the fund by
11 appropriation.

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